

P3ACE

CLUB OFFICERS:

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MEETINGS:

Feb and Mar 89 only: First Wednesday of the month. Rustic Hills Shopping Center community meeting room, 7 PM.

Starting Apr 89: First Tuesday of the month. Rustic Hills Shopping Center community meeting room, 7 PM.

Meeting dates can be adjusted/changed to meet the needs of our club members. Any member wishing to host a meeting at his/her home, please contact Dave Koster or John Sandgren.

MONTHLY TOPICS:

Each month we want to discuss a topic of interest to our members. All members are strongly encouraged to host a presentation of your favorite program for the month's topic or any other topic of interest. The club is only as good as we make it. Perhaps you want to demonstrate your favorite graphics drawing program, or maybe your pet word processor. The more we share what we know, the more we can keep the Atari community of Colorado Springs alive and well. A proposed agenda for the next several months is

Mar -- Archiving; what it is, what programs are available, what it can do for us

Apr -- Practical application programs; printing programs or utilities; word processors; filing managers

May -- Disk operating systems; what programs are available; features; costs

Jun -- Modems and bulletin boards; equipment; software required; what a board can do for us

Jul -- Languages; Basic; Action; LOGO; Forth; C

Anyone interested in hosting the demonstration for one of the months listed above, please contact John Sandgren ASAP. The more you get involved, the more this will be your club.

OTHER DETAILS:

Disk of The Month -- Each month the best programs of that month's Antic and Analog Magazines will be combined into a double sided single disk. This disk will be given out as a door prize at the monthly meeting. Extra copies will be available for purchase at a nominal cost.

Bring-a-Friend -- If you know of an Atari owner who's not a member of the club, bring him to the next meeting. A disk of the month will be given out to members who bring guests. The only unhappy Atari owner is the owner who doesn't know how great his machine is. And being a member of P3ACE is a great way to learn about Atari computers and what they can do for you.

Ideas -- Club officers are not the only people in this club who have ideas. Your ideas are important to us. Please pass your ideas on how to make this club better to any of the officers listed above.

Newsletter -- We publish our own newsletter, and encourage all members to write articles which can be shared with the entire club readership. The newsletter is published every two months starting with a Jan/Feb issue each year. Articles need to be to our editor by the 15th of the month before (15 Feb for the Mar/Apr issue). Please contact Jim Cox if you are interested in contributing.

BASIC ATARI

A simple summary of must have, should have, and want to have to make your Atari 8-bit computer work for you:

EQUIPMENT

Computer -- 800, 800XL, 65XE, 130XE, XEGS

Disk Drive -- 810, 1050, XF551, Indus, Ramus, Happy, US Doubler

Printer -- Atari w/direct connect, or any brand w/centronics parallel interface

Printer Interface -- (not needed for direct-connect Atari printers) Printer Connection, P:R: Connection, Atari 850, Ape Face, Supra 1150

Modem -- Nice to have, but not required; 300/1200/2400 Baud

MUST HAVE SOFTWARE

Disk Operating System (DOS) -- Atari 2.0*, Atari 2.5*, MYDOS*, MachDos*, SuperDos*, SpartaDos, TopDos

Programming Language -- Basic (supplied with computer), Turbo Basic*, Action, LOGO*, Forth*, C*, Pascal, MAC/65

Archive Program -- SuperArc and SuperUnarc*, Alf*, Arc and Arcx*, Shrink*, DiskCom*, Scrunch*

PRACTICAL APPLICATION SOFTWARE

Word Processor -- AtariWriter, AtariWriter Plus, Paperclip, AnticWriter*, Textpro*, Richman's 80 Column

DataBase or Filing Manager -- Atari Filer, Database-X

Printing Programs -- PrintShop, PrintPower, AwardWare, CardWare, PartyWare, Top Banner*

NICE TO HAVE SOFTWARE

Graphics -- Atari Artist, Rambrandt, 130XE Hi-Res Designer*, GTIA Joystick Painter*, Blazing Paddles, Design Master*

Printing Programs -- Daisy Dot II*, Dot Magic*, Lister Plus, Picture Plus

Utilities -- Label makers*, sector copiers*, disassemblers*, menus*, editors*, Translator*, print spoolers*, spellcheckers*

Publishers -- Antic Publisher*, NewsRoom

Spreadsheets -- VisiCalc, SynCalc

Terminal Program-- Express*, Amodem*

Note: All programs marked with an * are public domain, freeware or shareware. Many of these programs are available in the club software library